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## AMENDMENT A

Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed March 14, 2002 in the above-referenced patent application. Applicants herewith request a two months extension of time to respond to the office action. The period of response is thereby extended to and includes August 14, 2002. Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 4 with the following paragraph: